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## METHOD FOR CODING AND DECODING THE WIDENESS OF A SOUND SOURCE IN AN AUDIO SCENE

the specification of which was filed on October 10, 2003 as Application Serial No. PCT/EP 2003/11242 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_, or, if not identified here by filing date and serial number, is attached hereto.

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Application No. 02022866.4 in EP on October 14, 2002 priority claimed ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Application No. 03004732.8 in EP on March 04, 2003 priority claimed ☒ Yes ☐ No

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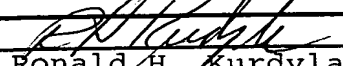
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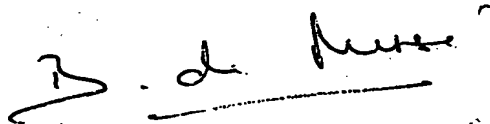
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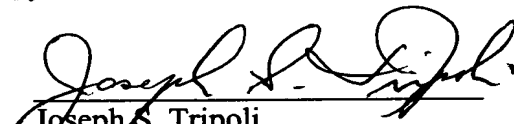
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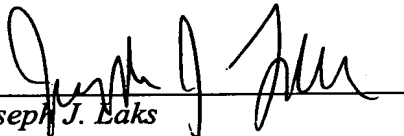
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